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Docket No.: SPLX.P0017

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Steven Teig

Serial No.: 09/742,171

Filing Date: 12/19/2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
QUANTIFYING THE QUALITY OF  
PLACEMENT CONFIGURATIONS IN  
A PARTITIONED REGION OF AN  
INTEGRATED-CIRCUIT LAYOUT

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

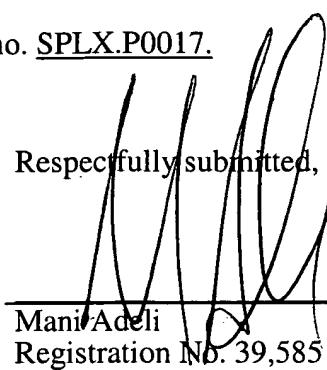
Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office action dated SPLX. This extension will extend the time the response is due from SPLX to SPLX.

- A one month extension to SPLX is requested; the extension fee is \$120.00.
- A credit card payment form referencing docket no SPLX.P0017 is attached.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 50 1128** referencing docket no. SPLX.P0017.

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